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## Unnerving incident in Kistler Hall

by Rod Hughes  
News Editor

Borrowing a chapter from Norman Bates personal diary, an unidentified black male surprised a female student while she showered in one of the women's bathrooms in Kistler Hall.

The incident occurred on Tuesday, October 17 and was reported to the office of Public Safety at approximately 11:55 a.m..

The female student, who requested her name be withheld, was apparently finishing her shower when the shower curtain was opened and she discovered a man staring at her. Witnesses reported the woman screamed and the intruder fled without

incident. The student said security responded "within a minute" of the phone call and that three officers were dispatched to the scene.

Unconfirmed reports of an arrest circulated the campus a few days later. However, those reports were later proven false.

The Public Safety Office reported that although a male non-student was discovered in the same bathroom where the incident had taken place at nearly the same time, the person was not believed to have been the intruder.

Currently there are no leads in the case.

See Security Report for a detailed description of the intruder.

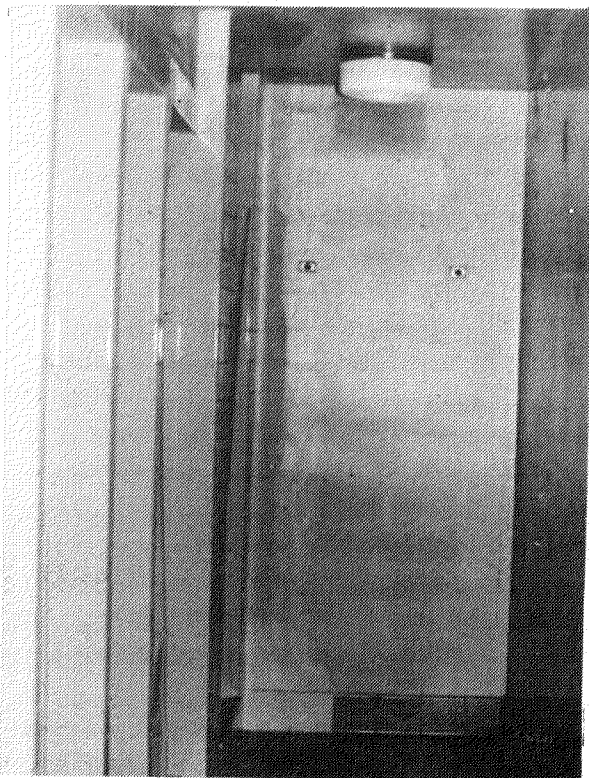


Photo by Maura Gleeson

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## Parking crunch will worsen before it gets better

by Donna Whitlock  
Contributing Writer

In the next few weeks the College will be implementing temporary parking restrictions necessary to provide additional spaces to the Heinz Hall parking lot and the gravel parking lot near Murphy Hall.

Both lots will be paved over and redesigned to add parking spaces to the campus.

Director of Public Safety Bill Whitman said the Heinz lot will be started first.

To accommodate the already crowded parking

off-site parking locations as well as shuttle service between the sites and the campus have been provided, Whitman said.

"Since the beginning of the fall semester, President Bette Landman has encouraged faculty and staff to park off campus," said Whitman.

Residents of Heinz Hall who currently park in the Heinz lot and students who park in the gravel lot near Murphy Hall will need to find alternate parking spaces on campus as both lots will be closed to all cars while the space reconstruction is being completed.

Both resident and commuter students are encouraged to use the two off-site parking lots, located at Mt. Carmel Presbyterian Church on Edgemoor and Mt. Carmel Roads and Springfield High School at Route 309 and Papermill Road.

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by Valerie Turner  
Staff Writer

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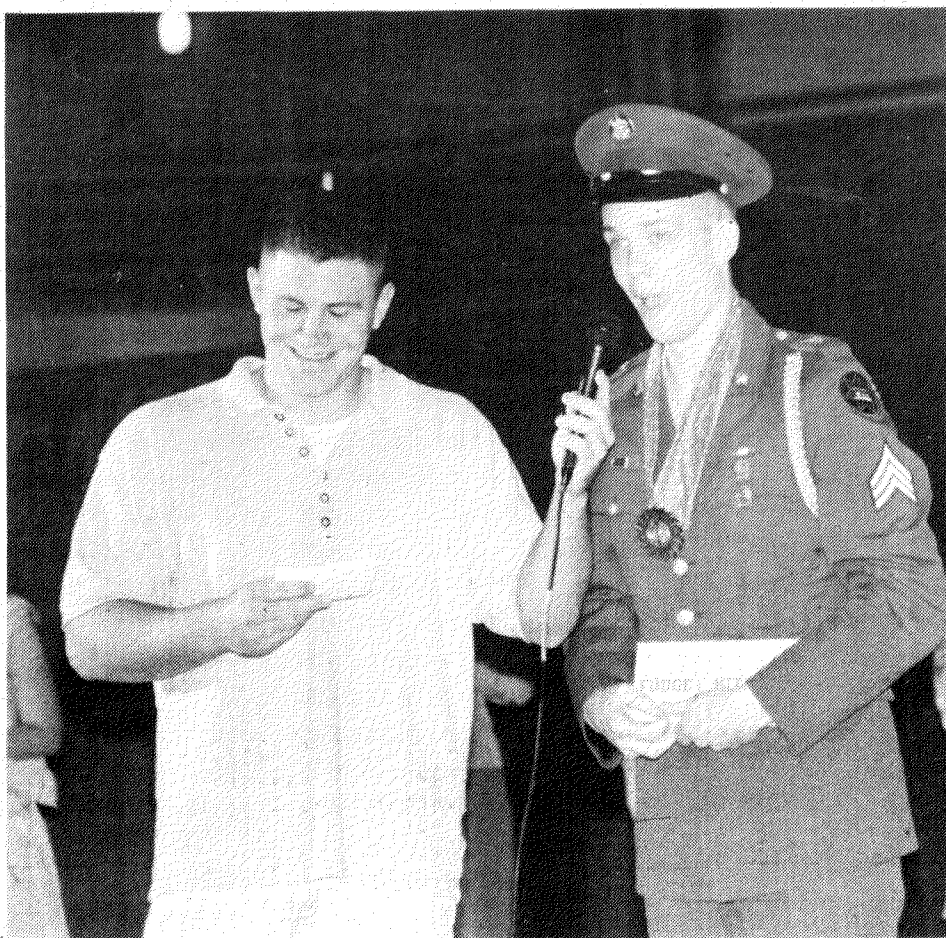
by Dana Giangreco  
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The runners-up were Dan Williams, who received second place representing 1st West Kistler at Jim Carrey and Alem Watson, who won third place representing 3rd West Kistler at Michael Jackson.

The remaining six contestants were Ben Wolfgang, who represented 2nd West Kistler as Annie from the movie "Annie," Bobby Yogis, who represented 3rd South Kistler as Tony (John Travolta) from "Saturday Night Fever," John Greskiewicz, who represented 1st West Dilworth as Vincent Vega from "Pulp Fiction," Jon Conrad, who represented 1st West Heinz

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His name may be Peter Barnes, but people call him Mr. Beaver now. Barnes won the contest representing the Castle with his portrayal of Forrest Gump.

Photo by Laurie Ray

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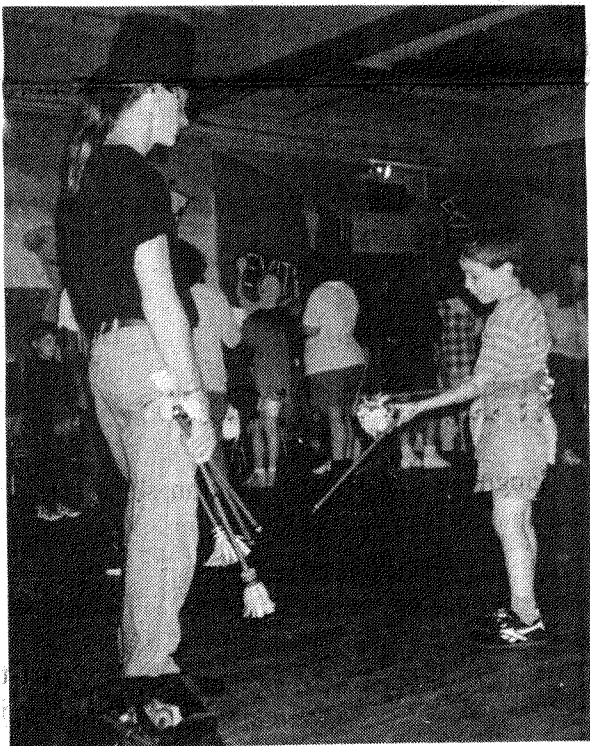
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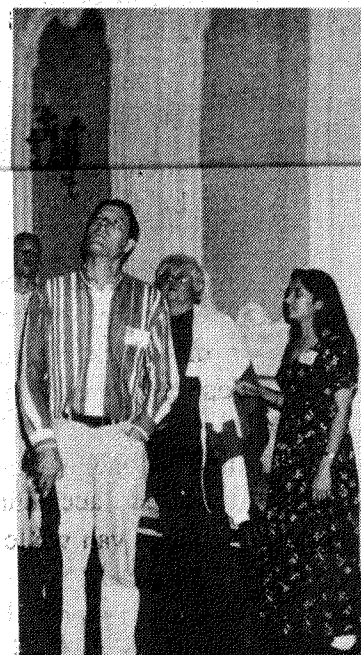
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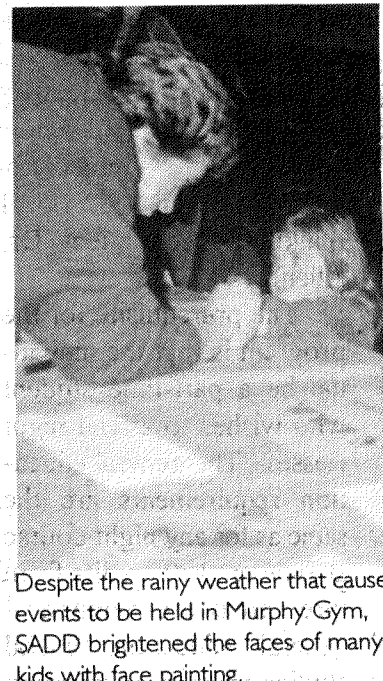
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For further information, contact Valerie at 517-3023 or Maura at 517-3274.

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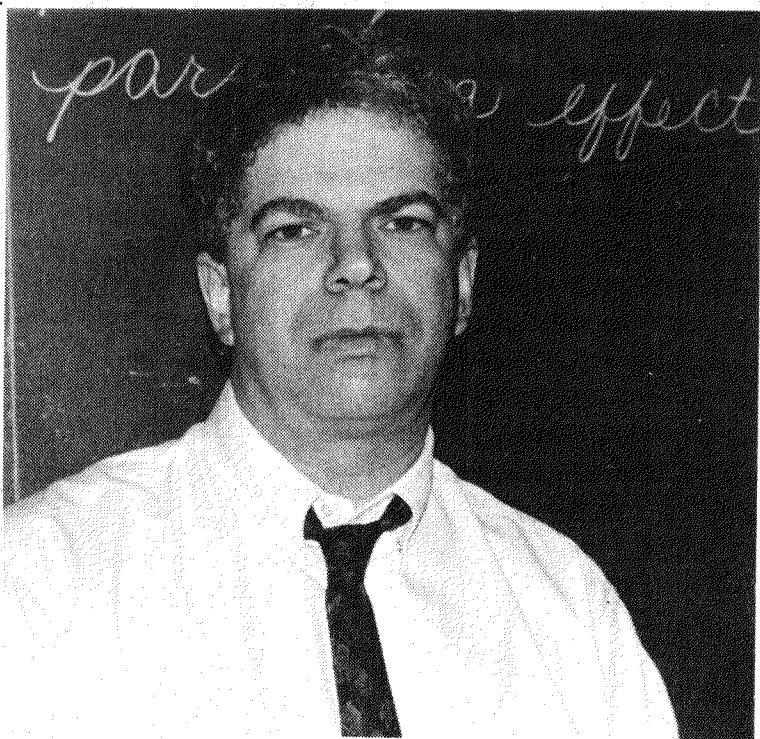
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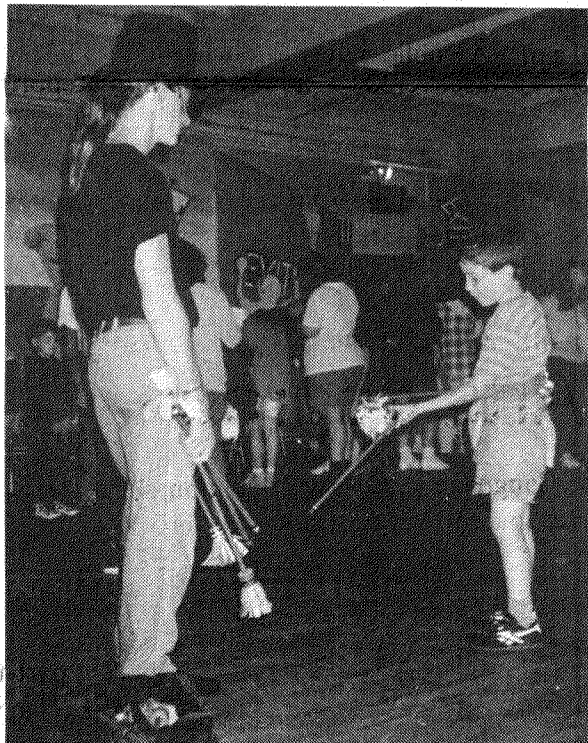
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A new event to be held as a part of Ghost Out Day is a candlelight vigil that night on the soccer field in front of the Kuch Center. This will begin approximately 9 p.m. and is designed to remind everyone of the dangers of drinking and driving.

Everyone is welcome to the vigil and encouraged to attend to remember those killed or injured in a drunk driving crash.

For further information, contact Valerie at 517-3023 or Maura at 517-3274.



# Student Profile: Transcending cultural barriers

by Rod Hughes  
News Editor

Imagine not being able to communicate. Imagine yourself in a society which is almost totally alien to you. Now imagine being alone in such a situation.

Hajime Yamazaki doesn't have to imagine. He lived it.

Along with his younger sister and younger brother, Yamazaki was raised by his parents in a Niigata, Japan. It was a traditional Japanese household.

His mother stayed home with the family while Yamazaki's father took care of the family's food distribution business.

However, Yamazaki told *The Tower* how Japanese culture is changing and no longer fits the American vision of how Japanese people really live.

In his Beaver College tee-shirt and collegiate looking black blazer, Yamazaki sat back and spoke of a time not all that long ago.

"When I was a baby it was very common to have the grandmother, the aunt, the uncle all living in one house. But now it's changing. The core family (Mom, Dad, Kids) is growing," Yamazaki explained.

"One reason is the sizing of the house is relatively small because land prices are

so high."

At 20, Yamazaki left his family and took an apartment in Tokyo while he attended computer school.

"An apartment in Tokyo is very expensive," Yamazaki said. So expensive that in order to find a reasonably priced apartment in the Japanese capital city, Yamazaki had to sacrifice a few things.

"It didn't have a bathroom," Yamazaki recalled with a laugh. While the apartment did have a toilet, it did not have a shower. "I had to go to the public bath," Yamazaki said.

There he could shower, change and begin his day. "It's really serious because I had to go every day. It was about \$2.50 (American) but it is getting higher," Yamazaki said in a more concerned tone.

As a computer student, Yamazaki became quite talented with "the tool of the future" and began grabbing all the information he could.

"One day I had an advertisement for some software in the United States at the bottom. I wanted to buy it so I called. But I couldn't speak English and the operator couldn't understand me so they hung up," Yamazaki said, barely able

to contain his amusement with the situation.

Yamazaki's sister, a high school English teacher in Japan, made the call for him and ordered the software.

In that brief instant on the phone, Yamazaki's interest in the United States was sparked. The intrigue of America prompted him to seek information about studying abroad in the U.S..

"I wanted to go to the northern part of America," he said, still smiling; still happy.

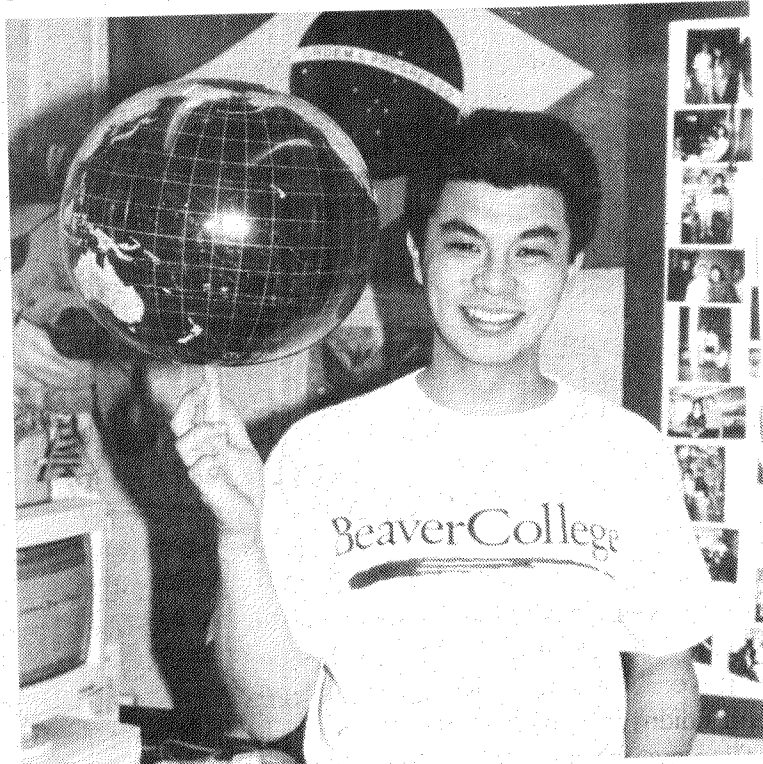
When asked why he insisted on the northern portion of the U.S., Yamazaki began to squirm in his seat and his grin became increasingly apparent. "Because when the weather gets cold, I feel motivated to study," he said with a laugh.

For Yamazaki, the entire process of making arrangements to travel half way around the world only took about three months.

He landed at New York's JFK airport in early October, alone. With a few written instructions from a cousin living in the United States, Yamazaki found his way to the subway which took him to Penn Station.

"I couldn't believe this was reality. I couldn't understand what people were say-

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Hajime Yamazaki may be a long way from Japan, but he feels right at home here in America thanks to the American Language Academy.

Photo Courtesy of ALA

## Dear Lane . . .

by Dr. Lane Neubauer  
College Psychologist

Dear Lane,

I feel really silly writing to you but I decided to see what you would say. Ever since I got here I have felt really lonely and depressed. At home I had lots of friends but here I feel really lost. It seems like everyone else is having a great time but I feel miserable. I just stay in my room all the time so it looks like I'm busy. I heard that college was supposed to be the best time of my life but this isn't what I expected. I miss my old friends and the life I had at home. I wish I could turn back time.

Signed,  
"Living in the past"

Dear "Living in the past,"

Although many students are excited about coming to college, some students feel lost and confused. The process of saying goodbye to family and good friends coupled with that of building a new life at college can feel overwhelming and impossible to some individuals. However, with time and some effort, the adjustment can be made.

It seems that right now you are "grieving" the loss of your "previous life." You are experiencing sadness which is a normal stage of grieving. As you work through this grieving process, you will eventually be able to focus your energy forward rather than backward and be able to move on.

The most important thing you can do for yourself right now is to start creating a balance by BECOMING INVOLVED in college life. Identify pursuits that in the past you had fun doing and then look for similar ones on campus. For example, if you were involved in a club in high school, look for a similar one here at Beaver. You may feel awkward at first because you don't know anyone but the more activities you get involved in the more you up your chances of finding new friends.

Look for support in all shapes and forms!! Reach out to friendly faces or perhaps look for someone else who has been spending time alone in his/her room. Finally, if you continue to feel depressed, utilize the support systems that exist on campus such as your R.A., O.L., or the Counseling Center.

Sometimes getting through a difficult time in one's life can help one to eventually feel stronger and better about oneself. Thanks for writing.

IF YOU HAVE A QUESTION OR CONCERN YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE ADDRESSED IN THIS COLUMN, WRITE TO "DEAR LANE" C/O DR. LANE NEUBAUER IN THE BEAVER COLLEGE COUNSELING CENTER - HEINZ HALL - GROUND FLOOR.

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# Perspectives from the shorter side

by Jennifer Driscoll

Features/Entertainment Editor

Well, it is nearly the end of October and I'm amazed at how quick things are going.

Mr. Beaver weekend has come and gone and now we are all starting to buckle down and tackle the work that is piling up on our desks.

For me that means only one thing: thesis. Yes, that much talked about and often feared senior requirement.

Senior year has been nice so far, but I often wonder if it would be a little bit better if I didn't feel so alienated from everything.

I guess the transition from being a student at Glasgow University to being one at Beaver College has been even more tough than I thought it would be.

I guess I really can't ex-

plain it. I am just going through this awful period right now. That infamous "what are you going to do with the rest of your life" question is really weighing me down. Ugh.

Is it really so bad that I'm not exactly sure? Why am I feeling guilty because I don't have my life mapped out?

I feel like sometimes I'm not even on the map, that gravy train that would be the rest of my life has just passed me by. I know it hasn't, maybe I'm just over-analyzing things, and reading too much into it, but I guess that it is one of the fall backs to being an English major.

Well, could this column be even more of a downer? Let's get to the juicy stuff.

What is going on around campus? Hmmmm, on Oc-

tober 19th, there was a wonderful program on eating disorders in the Castle Rose room.

It really opened my eyes and made me think long and hard about some of my eating habits and made me realize that these feelings about my body are felt by a lot of other people too.

I was at the SGO meeting on October 18th. A nice quick meeting. Talk of a bulletin board going up that has information about ride sharing. I think that it is a great idea-I hope that it goes up soon!

There was also talk about the expansion changes that will be taking place on campus soon. While I'm impressed, I can't help but wonder what all this expansion will do to the lovely, old trees that line this picture perfect campus.

While we are on the subject of this picture perfect campus, I must say that I'm noticing a lot more trash lying around outside. Not only is this bad for the environment, but it puts a taint on this campus. There are trash cans, so why don't we all use them?

On to the latest security incident, as a female on this campus, I find that it is pretty scary that a person could just wander into our dorms and take in a free show.

It is not only security's job to keep this campus safe, but as students of this esteemed college, it is our responsibility too. Not only for ourselves but for our fellow students as well.

Congratulations goes out to Petey Barnes and the Castle for winning Mr. Beaver.

The weirdest part of the evening was having the event take place in the Gym. Somehow, it just didn't feel the same. Maybe I'm just a stickler for tradition after all.

Hey, Doug do you think that I could borrow that blonde wig? I want to see if blondes really do have more fun.

As I end this, I realize that I haven't made a comment about the cafeteria. I believe that this is a record. I do really hope that this keeps up. Contrary to popular belief complaining about the dining hall is not one of my favorite things to do. I would much rather stress about my thesis.

Oh, well only about 96 more days until graduation. 'Till next time.

## Student "Americanizes" with help of ALA

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ing," Yamazaki said.

He admits his English wasn't exactly up to par and said he found speaking English to be very difficult in the beginning. "I thought Americans talked very loud and very fast," Yamazaki said of his first days in America.

Once he settled in with his host family, Yamazaki began his "Americanization" with the American Language Academy at Beaver College.

ALA is an intensive language school with approximately 17 programs throughout the United States which helps to break down communication barriers

and trains students in academic grammar, writing and speech to foster their growth in a collegiate environment.

With ALA, Yamazaki's English rapidly improved and he became the resident computer whiz in ALA's Boyer Hall computer lab.

Today, Yamazaki is a proud graduate of ALA and is currently a student at Beaver College. His humor and intelligence have afforded him an opportunity few men and women his age are ever offered.

And his insight into American culture allows those who know him best to

see a more intimate portrait of Japan in today's society.

"America is so wide. Everything is bigger than in Japan. When I first came here, I felt as if I had gotten smaller. I walked around downtown Philadelphia. I only walked 1 block but I felt like I had walked 3 or 4 blocks. It was a very strange feeling," Yamazaki told *The Tower*.

His views on Americans haven't changed much. For him, Americans still talk too fast, but he doesn't mind.

"Americans are very nice. Everyone says 'Hi.' Small talk; we don't have that in Japan at all. It's nice."

## Passing the torch to Mr. Beaver 1995

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as the Fonz from "Happy Days;" Derek Butts, who represented 1st North Heinz as Steve Erkel from "Family Matters" and Todd Knorr, who represented 2nd North Heinz as 80's man.

The M.C.'s for the evening were Tim Windfelder, who was Mr. Beaver 1993, and Nick Vattiato.

The contest is an annual event sponsored by the Student Programming Board (SPB). It is a hall-versus-hall competition in which each female hall selects a male student to represent their hall.

Each contestant competed in five areas: main entrance, swimwear, talent,

formal wear and a question directed at them according to their theme.

The judges' panel consisted of the previous year's Mr. Beaver and six faculty members. Contestants were judged for each area on a scale of one to ten, with ten being the highest score.

Christopher Coia and Brian Conti of SPB were in charge of planning and preparation for Mr. Beaver.

This year, for the first time, the event took place in the gymnasium of the Kuch Center. In previous years it had been held in Murphy Hall in the Stiteler Auditorium.

According to Coia and Conti, there was a need for

more space because of the size of the incoming class this year and holding the event in the Kuch Center allowed for 300 more people to attend. However, moving the site of the contest was difficult since additional lighting, carpeting and a stage were all needed for the event.

### Parking improvements

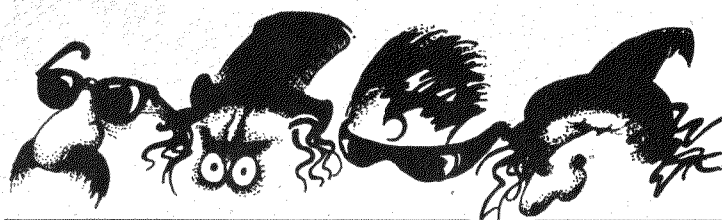
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runs from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Pick-up and drop-off points are in front of Taylor Hall and the Castle.

Plans are underway to increase shuttle service to 10:30 p.m. for students who attend evening classes.

TAKE YOUR COSTUMES OUT OF THE ATTIC AND DUST OFF YOUR DANCING SHOES. TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW FOR THE MASQUERADE BALL. THIS EVENT WILL TAKE PLACE ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28 FROM 9 P.M. TO 1 A.M. IN THE CASTLE. TREATS WILL BE PROVIDED, NO ONE WILL GO HOME EMPTY-HANDED! PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED FOR THE BEST COSTUME. \$2 FOR BEAVER STUDENTS, \$3 FOR GUESTS. DON'T MISS IT.

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# Consideration goes a long way

by Rod Hughes  
News Editor

Winter is approaching and a cold wind blows through Beaver College. However, the seasons have little to do with the chill in the air on our fair campus.

Although I have only been here not yet two months, I have found a chilling truth about some Beaver College students. Not all mind you, but some. I've found apathy, unkindness and a lack of concern for the well being of others.

I've seen people reach out, either in conversations trying to get to know people, or in class asking what an assignment was, or just in saying "Hi" to their fellow student. I've seen them reach out and get slapped in the face. Not literally. That wouldn't do.

It's done with silence precipitated by a coldness which was blatantly apparent when the temperature still soared into the 80's. I could run through a laundry list of incidents. Of situations where I've watched freshmen belittled by juniors and seniors who were once freshmen themselves.

I've seen students drop books and no one stops to help. I've seen students, desperately trying to integrate themselves into a new environment, shut out of group activities and conversations.

Instead of boring you with self-righteous babble on how to be a little nicer, a little kinder, let me instead tell you a story. A funny story at that.

I hope you laugh at the sheer absurdity of my tale. I hope you tell your friends about the "ridiculous" little story in *The Tower*. But most of all, I hope you think, if only for a moment, how small gestures mean so very much to so very many.

It was Monday night, October 16 a little after six. I had just completed a fourteen page paper which would be due in an hour. I decided I should reward myself with a cheese steak from the chat for my harrowing efforts of three hours before a rather irritating computer screen.

In my haste to get to the Chat so I could quickly return to *The Tower* office in time to proofread my work, I neglected to bring my key. Without it, I would have to stroll the campus without a jacket in cold weather in order to gain entry to Dilworth Hall. But that thought would come later, as I had not yet realized my folly.

Instead, with hunger on my mind and joy in my heart over my accomplishment at the computer, I skipped

over to the Chat. I ordered my cheese steak and went for a paper while it sizzled on the grill.

Much to my chagrin, no paper was available (as usual) and I schlepped back through the doorway toward the oozing cheese and steak collaboration that would satisfy the hungry animal I held within. My steak was ready!

I picked it up. I thanked the cook for the beauty which had been placed before me. I thanked the cashier, paid and was out the door, headed for Dilworth-Thomas. It was as I climbed the stairs from the Chat I realized the awful truth. I had no key. Locked out in the cold.

My only hope was the kindness of a stranger and we come to the important part of this tale.

My arms were full. Soda. Dessert. The divinity I call a Cheese Steak and a flyer. I had not one free hand. As I reached the top of the stairs, I knew I must depend on some kind soul to

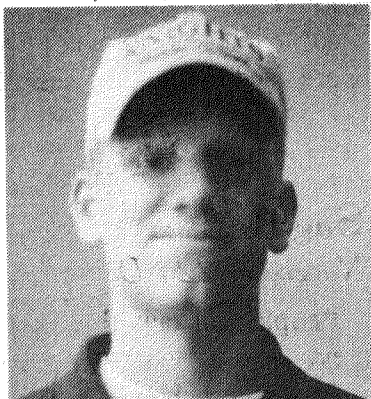
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There you are . . .  
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something important to say . . .  
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thoughts & opinions through e-mail.

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## Q & A: What do you think about the changes in the security system?

Photos by Kellie Jablon



"Once the security system is activated, students are still going to let people they don't know through the side doors."

Brian Eckenrode  
Junior



"The changes are long overdue. Also, the I.D. keys will help reduce trespassing. Security and student patrols are also more visible."

Ellyn LeFante  
Senior



"The changes in security are needed. Beaver's security system is lenient compared to other colleges I've been to. The College still has far to go, but I think the increased desk receptionists help."

Tara Morgans  
Junior



"When it's up and running, it will be effective and an improvement along with increased patrolling around campus."

Alice Pakhtigian  
Senior



"I've noticed more patrolling and knowing the security guards as friends makes me feel safer."

Lauren Spearman  
Sophomore

## A word from the Editor . . . How safe are we?

by Michelle Maier  
Editor-in-Chief

There was a time when I used to feel safe on this campus, when I used to walk around, even at night, and not worry.

But those days have disappeared. Now, that sense of security is gone like the wind.

I realize that the College is doing all it can to secure itself and provide a sense of safety to its students, faculty and staff. However, as a female and a student, I still do not feel safe.

Many of you may know of the various "peeping tom" incidents that occurred last spring here on campus. For those of you who are unfamiliar with them, allow me to just say that if you were a female on this campus, you showered with one eye opened just in case someone decided to open the curtain.

The College was supposed to install this new I.D. security system that would make entrance to the residence halls more limited and prevent these kinds of incidents. However, halfway into the semester, this system is still not up and running, and there has been another occurrence of a "peeping tom" on campus.

That is not the fault of the College, for the blame for these delays in the I.D. system rests primarily in the laps of outside companies and contractors.

But will this new system be enough to prevent further incidents from occurring? Will the female students on this campus be able to shower in peace and not feel like they could be potential victims of someone looking

for a cheap thrill? Will this really prevent outsiders from gaining entrance to residence halls?

In an ideal world, the system would do just that. But, this is not an ideal world. Beaver College may be located in the suburbs, but the urban world lurks not very far from the campus parameters.

There may not be much the College can do about location, but it might be a good idea to think about securing the parameters. What about installing some sort of security gate at the main entrances, staffed by a member of Public Safety 24 hours a day? All cars entering campus would show their permits, as they already do, as to put some sort of check on the flow of traffic in and out of campus.

Pedestrians too would enter by these gates, showing their I.D.'s to the Public Safety Officer. Close off the other entrances. This may not prevent outsiders from entering, for if they were really persistent about gaining access, they would simply scale the stone wall which surrounds much of the campus. But it may be a preventative measure worth thinking about.

In a perfect world, these check-points would be fool-proof, but again, this is not an ideal world. The College has already taken a step in installing this new security system. Perhaps it may think about taking the next step and, as the slogan says, "transcend mediocrity" of a security system that, like anything, can always use improvement.



## Trick or Treat

On October 28

from 7:30 to 9 p.m.,

You are cordially invited to  
trick-or-treat.

Look for the paper porch lights  
outside the rooms  
in the residence halls.

Come in costume  
or the trick will be on you.



## What happened to common courtesy?

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either enter or exit the doors which held me back. Only they could grant me safe passage.

I approached the door. A girl emerged. She seemed content with her surroundings; almost peaceful. Her step was lighthearted and relaxed. Her dress was casual.

She stepped through the door, my savior, alone and she seemed to be headed for the dining hall without hurry or anticipation of the delights which would greet her that night on her dinner tray.

I called out, "Would you hold the door?"

She saw my arms full and must have noticed the "help I feel like a lost puppy dog" look in my eye. She must have!

But she would not be my savior that night, nor any other. Without words or facial expression, she gave her answer, louder than any word could ever be spoken.

She simply locked her cold, dark eyes upon me as if I had spoken in some an-

cient foreign language long since forgotten and moved on.

She simply sashayed from the door while I watched in horror; watched it slowly close before my eyes.

I quickly increased my pace, feeling the stressors of the day coming to bear upon my soul. But to no avail. When I reached the door, it had closed, only seconds before my arrival.

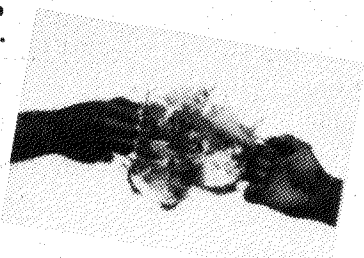
I do not know what my would-be savior thought at the sight of my running toward a closing door, desperately juggling my meal in my arms, hoping, no, praying I would make it in time.

I know not what she thought or why she acted so coldly to a stranger in need. But I heard her words. Like shards of glass they pierced my flesh and made me cry out for the inhumanity of all humanity.

She said, as passers-by did scold her for her action, "What? It's only a door!"

A door to you, madam. An act of kindness to me.

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## Astrological Advice

Capricorn by The One Who Is Always Watching  
December 22 - January 19

There is a specific goal that you have been working towards, but it seems that every obstacle under the sun either has, is, or is trying to get in the way of you achieving it. You need to decide how important that goal is to you, and the answer to that question will determine whether or not you have the determination to follow things through until the end.



### Aquarius

January 20 - February 18

You give some pretty good advice to people, but you're really lousy at taking that advice yourself. Actions speak louder than words, and people will appreciate your words of wisdom more if they see you heeding them yourself. They may even strive to be like you, and after all, imitation is the sincerest form of flattery.

### Pisces

February 19 - March 20

You have been thinking about the future a lot lately, and its uncertainty scares you. You once thought it seemed so secure and stable, but now everything seems up for grabs. Following one specific path can be limiting, so focus of broadening your horizons both in your personal life and your career choice. Options are important.



### Aries

March 21 - April 19

You are such a considerate person, and lately the person you are the most considerate to has been rather rude to you. Sudden changes in that person's life are causing them to undergo a change, and that change is not necessarily for the better, as far as you are concerned. Bide your time for now, but be careful, for if you do not address this problem with the person, things could blow up in both of your faces.



### Taurus

April 20 - May 20

You believe yourself to be an excellent judge of character, but lately you completely missed the mark with someone. They turned out to be entirely opposite of what you thought them to be. People are always more than what they first appear to be. Try not to be so rash in making judgements about people you meet in the future. You may be surprised at what you find.



### Gemini

May 21 - June 22

You used to think that you could trust people who were your friends, but now you're beginning to apply the term "friend" very selectively. People will always let you down and you need to remember that. The only person you can really count on is the person you see when you look in the mirror, and sometimes even that person lets you down.

### Cancer

June 22 - July 22

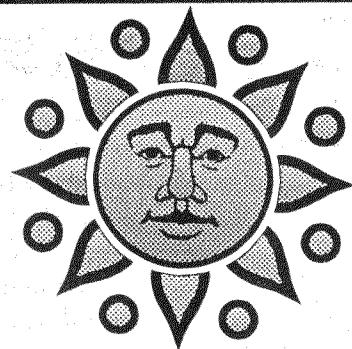
In order to know where you are, you must know where you have been. The road that you have traveled has been a long and arduous one, but it has helped you develop into the person that you are now. Trust in who that person is, for an even longer road stretches before you now, and you need to believe in the person that you are to travel it with success.



### Leo

July 23 - August 22

People come into your life at different times for different reasons. They are usually there for a purpose, but sometimes when that purpose is achieved, there is no longer a reason for them to be in your life. It's best at that point to let them go. Holding onto that person will only cause more pain in the long run, more pain for you and for that person.



### Virgo

August 23 - September 22

Getting that deja-vu feeling lately, as if something that happened to you before is happening again? Well, whatever the circumstances, be wise enough to look back on what the outcome of the last situation was and use that knowledge to handle this situation. The past is not worth repeating, but rather something which should be learned from.

### Libra

September 23 - October 23

The moment you give up looking for something is the moment that you will find it. You can search and search, but it will elude you until you finally exhaust your efforts. And often, the very thing you were looking for for so long was right in front of your face all along. You just couldn't see it because you were looking elsewhere for it.

### Scorpio

October 24 - November 21

You live your life is a fairly stable manner, not really varying much in your routines. It's kind of boring, but that's OK with you, because you like the predictability of it. Sorry to say, but that life will soon change, as some element of unpredictability and surprise will enter it. You never know, it might be kind of fun compared to what you are used to.



### Sagittarius

November 22 - December 21

People will talk about you no matter what you do. That's just human nature. Try to stop worrying about what other people's perception of you are and just live your life the way that you want to live it and in such a way that you will be happy. If they don't like it or approve of it, then that's their problem.



# Men's soccer season on a roll

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The Knights fought back as Rakesh Gokhania managed to squeeze a goal by late in the second half.

A few minutes later there was a controversial call that gave Cabrini their second goal on a penalty kick with only ten minutes to play.

The Knights gave it everything they had, but fell short with a 2-1 loss.

Within the last week, Beaver has defeated two PAC adversaries.

The Thursday, October 12 game against Eastern was a 3-2 win in overtime for Beaver's third conference win.

On Saturday, October 14, many parents and fans came out to see the Knights take care of business against visiting Gwynedd Mercy in a 8-0 win.

The Knights finished 4-2 in the PAC, with an outside chance of making the PAC Championships.

The Knights need Eastern College to defeat Misericordia, which would put

Beaver in a second place tie with Misericordia and give them a last chance to achieve the final goal set by the team in the beginning of the season.

## Community Service Opportunities

The Office of Community Service is currently looking for students who are interested in volunteering their time to make a difference in the lives of homeless families. Interfaith Hospitality Network is an organization that houses homeless families in local churches.

Work alongside of them

to create programs for these families such as tutoring children after school, eating dinner with the families, weekend outings, budget management workshops and tutoring for the GED.

If you are interested, contact Gabby at the Office of Community Service at 572-4000.

### Attention... Attention...

All students with prescription plans.

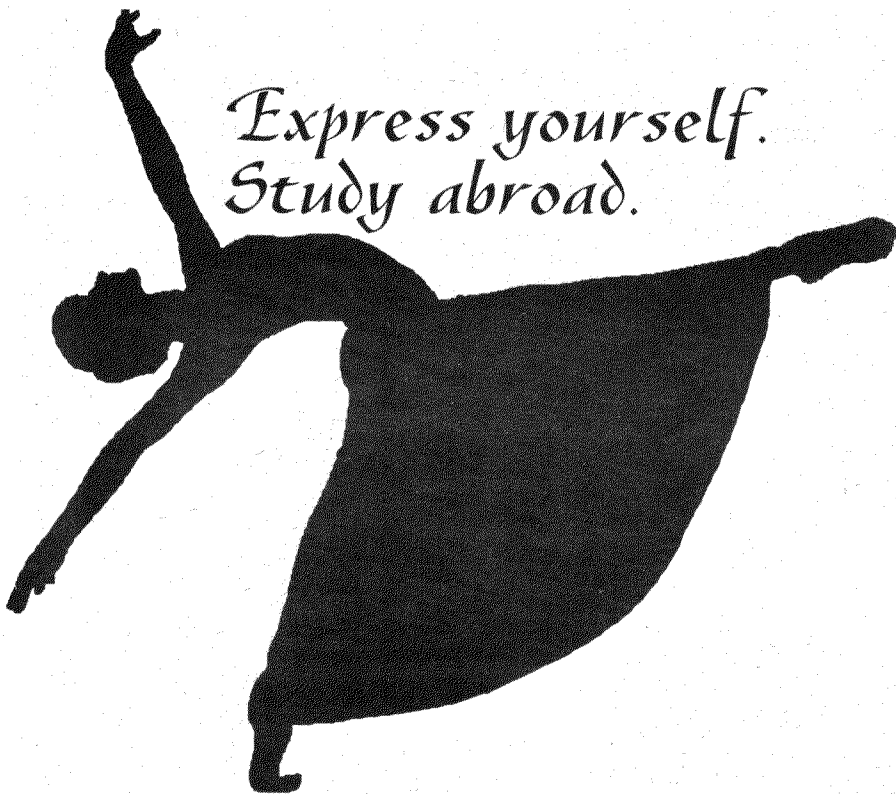
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